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don't such had been the
effect to a great degree - I met
with no unpleasantness, except
the evidence that we are so
mistaken as a people - & that
the reputation of the nation for
order, stability & permanence of
institutions has so declined -
Sunday before last, I preached
at South Hampton - To honour me
the Mayor & Corporation attended
in person. I had to meet them
at their Hall & walk in procession
with them. They & I all walked,
beesdles & macs ahead, through
the street to the Ch. But I had
a greater honour! The Capt. of the
Nashville was my hearer - preached
in the Gallery - While in that city
I caught into that pirate - went to
her - found four middies on her
deck, questioned one of them about
her speech, answer he - he little dream

Bp. McShaine
London Jan 14 1862

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My dear friend -

Now that the long anxiety
is soothed by the reception of
the good news from home of the
release of the Captives - & the
amicable adjustment of the
difficulty, I can write without
the weight of that cloud. I
have just prepared a long letter
to Bp. Bedell on the state of feeling
here, consequent on the news, to
be published - written with a
view to the better feeling on both
sides - He will have it published
first in our Ohio Ch. paper, & thence
it will be copied - I have requested
him to send a copy to you; & please

give directions that when a
 copy of the Western Episcopalian comes
 to your address, it be your attention
 shall be called to it - or else you
 will never see it. Ah! I hope you
 will need that, I need say no
 more on the feeling here - except
 that the termination of the difficulty
 seeing how our God has dealt
 with it, so contrary to all ideas
 here of what an universal suffrage
 God can, or does, do, in such a
 case, is a very great gain to us
 here. How disappointed the
 Southerners here! How chip-fallen
 the Irish - see what it advises
 concerning the reception of the
 released Slaves! W. Edwards
 paper to Sunday is very able -
 The tide is all setting well
 now.

I wrote my own about two weeks
 ago & told him to hand you the
 letter. I believe I was then stay-
 ing at Dr W. Heath's. Since
 then I have had plenty of oppor-
 tunities for my sermon. And I
 have received the thanks of
 many for what they call the
 comfort of my being here so much
 a time. I find that the uni-
 versal idea is that I came with
 reference to this very crisis - sent
 by God as an expression of paci-
 fic spirit, in myself & in my
 coming so far & at such a season -
 & also to make such representation
 as would allay irritation & tend
 to unite the two people the more.
 They infer this from the fact of
 my having come. An Arch-deacon
 the other day said he had no

Chas. Mrs

who I was - The Incewells
had not then arrived - The
letter is now in the office -
watching the Nashville - I have
very agreeable association with
Mr Adams - Recd the copy of
your Report which y^e sent me -
Next time will come, I suppose,
that letter - The day after to-mor-
row, we go to spend some
days with the Archbp of Canter-
bury at Addington Park - My
brother wrote me recently that
his son had recd an informa-
tion of the Commission which
Mr Cameron said he would give
him when I was last in Wash-
ington - I suppose y^e judge his memory.
(51st Regiment of N. York Volunteers
under Burnside.) Francis M. Thane

To day, I dine with Sir John
Lawrence, who saved the Pungait
in the Sepoy war - His brother
Gen. Lawrence, Gov. of Madras
at the same time. Brothers of
Sir Henry Lawrence who was killed
at Lucknow - all earnest minded
thumble Christians.

Please give my love to
Miss Kate - Believe me

Yours very affectionately
Chas. Pitt Rivers

When at Southampton, my host
(Rev. Dr. Wilson) invited a party of
gentlemen to meet me at break-
fast on Monday morning - six
clergymen, two Admirals, one General,
one Major-General - After breakfast
they asked me to address them
on American Affairs - Nothing
with. I "put in the time", as they

say - Now all that has come
to light since of the adjutant
at home has confirmed all I
then said & have been saying
since I came -